HOUSE BILL 3342 By Davidson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-12-133, relative to artificial insemination of animals.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-12-133(a)(4), is amended by inserting the language ", artificial insemination of animals" between the language "castration of animals" and "and dehorning".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-12-133(b), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(b) The procedures known as "castrating," "artificial insemination" and "dehorning," are not regarded as veterinary practices, and nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit anyone from castrating or dehorning or artificially inseminating any wild or domestic animal.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.